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**Elite Golf Programme
and Development Golf Programme**

In partnership with

CLAUDE HARMON 
PERFORMANCE GOLF ACADEMY
DUBAI



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Mission & Vision

Mission

To provide our students with a first-class education and golf coaching programme to holistically prepare them for collegiate and professional golf.

Vision

To create a golfing academy that becomes a central hub for the development of the best junior golfers in the region. Promoting participation, enjoyment, understanding and excellence within golf alongside high academic achievement. We will prepare students for collegiate golf programmes and a future as a World Number One golfer.

The Elite Golf Programme

We provide students with an outstanding environment to achieve excellence in education alongside an Elite Golf Programme.

A warm welcome from GEMS FirstPoint School (FPS) and The Claude Harmon Performance Golf Academy (CH3).

Our partnership provides a unique pathway for junior

golfers, allowing them to gain qualifications both academically and vocationally without impacting on their training and coaching development.

Students enrolled into The Elite Golf Programme (EGP)

will receive a first-class British education from internationally renowned provider GEMS Education, alongside world-class coaches belonging to the prestigious Claude Harmon



The Elite Golf Programme is a unique offering to the Middle East, that combines both education and golf in one to help students achieve their goals of college golf in the USA and beyond. Our objective is to give them a clear pathway towards those goals and guide them with their technique, their tactics and their physical development.

Every student we work with has different strengths and goals, and with that in mind, our Programme is designed to accommodate each individual's objectives in order to help them find their own pathway to success. We want to create a student who is not only a capable golfer but also one who is of sound character and academically strong.





As part of the Programme, each player will also enter a conditioning programme designed to physically develop them to cope with the demands of a career as a professional golfer. The TPI Certified Fitness Staff will provide an ongoing mandatory training regime, which the golf team will attend at the school and academy.

Players will be physically screened every six weeks and the coaches will maintain a long-term athletic development programme aimed at improving and maintaining performance at the highest level. Each golf

athlete will have to pass certain physical challenges to maintain their position on the team. Players will also have optional access to chiropractic therapy, physiotherapy and manual therapy as required through TPI Certified Medical Professionals linked in with the Claude Harmon Academy.

Features of the programme:

- A bespoke curriculum that is tailored to support success.
- Pastoral care and support to ensure students are managing their schedules and maintaining excellence in both their golf and their education
- Personalised timetable for each student enrolled in the programme
- A school that understands the pressures and demands in golf for elite performers
- Regular communication between the school and home regarding performance in school
- College application planning and support
- First class golf coaching from Claude Harmon Performance Golf Academy
- Fitness, strength and conditioning training in state-of-the-art facilities
- Mid-week golf membership
- Transport between the school and golf facility provided by STS Transport

Available to students age 11-18 with a single figure golf handicap*

**Students with higher handicaps will be considered for the development programme depending on age and swing assessment.*



What does the programme offer?

As part of the Elite Golf Programme, students will be enrolled in the National Curriculum for England at GEMS FirstPoint School, The Villa.

Their timetable is a bespoke design with each student having an "Individual Education Golf Plan" (IEGP) allowing them to attend daylight training and practice at The Els Club, Dubai Sports City throughout the year.

Their IEGP consists of:

- A curriculum developed and built around their needs
- Three afternoons per week at the CH3 training facility
- Two individual instruction lessons
- A group instructional lesson
- An on-course development session covering; full swing, short game, putting technical development to mental development, on course strategy, club-fitting and competitive play
- An individual fitness development session

How is a bespoke timetable possible?

We are a UAE KHDA Rahhal 10X initiative school; this gives us flexibility with a student's timetable in order to focus of the development of specialist areas, including golf.



The Claude Harmon Performance Golf Academy Dubai

The Claude Harmon Performance Golf Academy Dubai, located at the Els Club in Dubai Sports City, offers its students one of the finest coaching & practice facilities available inside and out. The 5,000 sq ft state-of-the-art building is fully equipped to deliver a world-class level of golf instruction.

Hosting a grass tee spanning over 100 yards in width and overlooking multiple target greens, the facility is designed with student's improvement in mind.

The academy also has a host of equipment available at its disposal including:

- Two air-conditioned full swing studios equipped with V1 and four cameras
- An eight-camera putting studio
- Fully functioning gym
- Extensive short game practice area and putting green
- K-Vest 3D Motion Capture
- Trackman Launch Monitor
- Sam Putt Lab
- SAM balance Lab & Boditrak pressure mat.
- The latest club-fitting options

The CH3 Academy Elite Golf Programme in partnership with GEMS FirstPoint School falls under the patronage of the prestigious Harmon name, which has become synonymous in the world of golf instruction with success, quality and a winning mentality. Claude Harmon was the 1948 Masters Champion and one of the leaders in the shift to modern day golf instruction. He was ahead of his time using video and teaching aids, in a world where they had rarely been seen before. His eldest son, "Butch" Harmon needs no real introduction, but a list of the successful players who have had success under his tutorage include Tiger Woods, Phil Mickelson, Dustin Johnson and Fred Couples. He has also worked with Greg Norman, Adam Scott, Ernie Els, Davis Love III, Darren Clarke, Stewart Cink, Justin Leonard and Mark Calacavacchia. Mr. Harmon's students have combined for over 140 tour wins worldwide under his tutelage.

Claude Harmon III has continued the fine family tradition by moulding the old teaching values learned from his father and grandfather with modern practices, including physical conditioning and biomechanics. Claude currently coaches Brooks Koepka, Dustin Johnson and a number of other prominent players in the United States from The Floridian Golf Club, and remains in constant contact with his staff in Dubai.

The school and the curriculum

GEMS FirstPoint School – The right choice for the leaders of tomorrow

At GEMS FirstPoint School, located in The Villa family community, we offer a first-class premium education

The exceptional facilities and staff inspire learning through the National Curriculum for England for children from Early Years Foundation Stage to Year 13.

British trained and qualified teachers have been carefully selected to provide world-class teaching in vibrant, highest quality learning environments

- An innovative curriculum that provides pathways for traditional, vocational and industry specific ambitions.
- Mastery approach to learning that fosters practices of Innovation, Invention, Collaboration and Critical thinking to ensure every child is supported, stretched and challenged appropriately
- An Inclusion Support Team to ensure that each student has access to the curriculum and performs to the best of their capabilities (FirstPoint was voted the 'Most Inclusive School in the UAE' in 2021)
- Wide range of GCSE, Industry Specific, ASDAN, BTEC and A-Level subjects to give students the freedom to define their own academic paths and careers
- The KHDA Rahhal programme approved centre that provides the flexibility in the curriculum to allow for golf coaching during school hours

Internationally recognised British education offering GCSEs, Industry Specific, ASDAN, BTEC and A-Level qualifications



GEMS FirstPoint School believes in excellence for all. We are passionate about supporting every child to fulfil their full potential, achieving way beyond traditional expectations. Our School is an innovative and inspirational community where parents, staff and students work collaboratively to prepare our young people to be successful in adult life. Together we develop the skills and qualities for young people to lead and shape their own direction in life. We celebrate the excellence in every young person and the progress they make at every stage of their education.

Matthew Tompkins, CEO & Principal

Celebrating the genius in every child

In addition to the academic qualifications, the GEMS FirstPoint School curriculum helps build well-rounded, active, and healthy students who will use these attributes for the rest of their lives.

Golf requires mastery and regular usage of life skills learnt as part of the curriculum, these include:

- Building Confidence and Strong Self Esteem
- Risk versus Reward Judgement
- Discipline
- Concentration and Focus
- Hand-Eye Coordination
- Etiquette
- Honour and Honesty
- Teamwork and Individuality



US golf scholarship



ForeCollegeGolf (FCG) is a company that has supported a number of our students in being recruited for University and college golf scholarships in the United States.

All EGP students receive an initial 1-on-1 consultation with FCG with the aim of working together closely to build links with colleges, providing their golf profile and CV and also a personalized recruiting timeline. This relationship is unique to the region and provides us with direct links to college coaches and universities whilst adhering to the strict contact and recruitment legislation of the NCAA.

FCG hosts an annual "College Golf Dubai" event. The aim of the day is to allow both parents and juniors to find out more information from the experts on topics such as; college life in America, college golf tournament schedules, NCAA eligibility center registration, scholarships and brand identity. Additional FCG services are available upon request.



How can my child join the programme?

The Elite Golf Programme is a scholarship structure from both GEMS FirstPoint School and The Claude Harmon Performance Golf Academy. Scholarship recipients must meet the following requirements:

- Be between 11-18 years of age
- Be a single figure handicap golfer (Elite Programme) or have the potential to become a single figure handicapper (Development Programme)*
- Undertake an assessment session at CH3 Academy
- Meet academic requirements with FPS
- Take the following educational subjects:
 - ▶ Year 7, 8 & 9 - Students will study a range of subjects and will have flexibility of what and when to study
 - ▶ Year 10 & 11 - GCSE Programme of study (General Certificate of Secondary Education) - English Language, English Literature, Mathematics and Science are all compulsory. Two additional elective subjects will be chosen in addition to the core subjects
 - ▶ Year 12 & 13 - Sixth Form Programme of study (A Level and BTEC certificates of education) Minimum of two and maximum of three subjects.

These subject guidelines follow the NCAA requirements when applying to US Colleges

A Level Options 2021 / 22

2021-2022 Post 16 A-Level and BTEC Subject Choice

Students are required to choose three options from Options 2-4. Arabic and Islamic will be automatically added, if applicable. The time allocated to the Option 1 block will be spent at CH3 on golf training and conditioning.

A Level			
Option A	Option B	Option C	Option D
Art, Craft and Design Business Chemistry Computing Mathematics Music PE Psychology Spanish BTEC Travel and Tourism BTEC ESports	 Biology Chemistry Computing Economics English Literature History Mathematics Physics Textiles BTEC Sport	 Biology Business Computing Drama and Theatre English Language Geography Politics Product Design BTEC Enterprise	 Arabic Biology Business Chemistry Economics French Media Mathematics Photography Physics BTEC Game Design
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GCSE Selection

2021-2022 GCSE Subject Choice

In Year 10 and 11, students will study the core subjects of English Language, English Literature, Mathematics and Science (Biology, Chemistry and Physics) at GCSE level.

Students will also take Social Studies, Moral Education and Ministry Islamic if applicable.

Selection must include two additional subjects from Option 2 and Option 3 only. The time allocated to Option 1 will be spent at CH3 on golf training.

GCSE		
Option A	Option B	Option C
Art Computing Design Technology Geography Physical Education Psychology Textiles	Business Dance Drama Economics French Psychology Spanish	Business Computing Economics Food Nutrition History Music Physical Education
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Example of an FPS Elite Junior Golfer timetable

Time	Supervised Activity
Sunday AM	Academic Study
Sunday PM	Academic Study
Monday AM	Academic Study
Monday PM	Individual Lesson, Fitness Conditioning and Group Lesson Fitness Session
Tuesday AM	Academic Study
Tuesday PM	Academic Study
Wednesday AM	Academic Study
Wednesday PM	Individual Lesson, Fitness Conditioning and Group Lesson Fitness Session
Thursday AM	Academic Study
Thursday PM	Course Instruction / Competition Performance Evaluation

Programme Fees

Not only will students enrolled in the programme receive the benefits of a premium British education alongside access to world-class golf coaching and facilities, they will also benefit from a scholarship fee structure reducing the cost if students were to enrol at both institutions separately.

Year Group	Programme Fee
4, 5, 6	AED 71,365
7,8,9	AED 75,595
10,11	AED 78,770
12,13	AED 81,940





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in every child



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